Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission Meeting, (January 10, 2002)

Commission Member Attendees: Jonathan Kemper, Ann Rogers, Sheila Bercier-Liese, Frederick Drakesmith, Marci Bennett, Frank Jacobs, Bob Archibald, Debra Lappe, Barbara Woods, Gerald Lee, and Cheryl Thorp.

Designee and Agency Liaison Attendees: Sara Parker, Jim Goodrich, Ken Winn, Shannon Cave, Mark Kross, David Mitchem, and Bob Smith.

Commission Staff Attendees: Doug Eiken, Frank Wesley, and Linda Gentry.

Department of Natural Resources Staff Attendees: Jim Denny, David Kelly, Sue Holst, Mary Donze, Karen Grace, Denise Evans, and Chris Buckland.

Guest Attendees: Steve Powell, Elizabeth Gentry Sayad, Peter Geery, Marilyn Geery, John Dengler, Jan Scheer, Mark Newell, Michael Kladky, Bruce Patterson, Ann Rivers Mack, Jim Crabtree, Craig "Rocky" Rockwell, Lynne Wolf Gentzler, Christyn Elley, Diana Allen, Sue Crighton, Carol McBryant, Sue Pridemore, Tim O'Rourke, Tim Grove, Allison Felter, Marty Henry, Bill Patterson, Mark Drulliard, Venetia McIntyre, Nancy Piringer, Jonathan Pye, Nicole Ambos, Diana Allen.

Issue/Staff Person	Discussion
Call to order and opening comments by Co-chair Jonathan Kemper	Jonathan Kemper called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Jonathan gave a personal and official "thank you" to Steve Powell, the city of St. Charles, and the Greater St. Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau for the spectacular evening of January 9, 2002 and for hosting to Commission meeting. Steve Powell also thanked the Commission for the support they have shown to the city of St. Charles. Jonathan said that St. Charles had set a very high standard for the Commission. Doug Eiken asked for a roll call. Jonathan Kemper asked for committee reports.
Jonathan Kemper	
Gerald Lee: Education Committee	Reported that at the October 31, 2001 Education committee meeting Mr. Randy Rook (DESE) assured the committee that the Lewis and Clark curricula would be presented to the fourth graders in all of the 524 school districts across the state. At that same meeting, the Education committee recommended that Commissioner of Education, D. Kent King, and the Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation, Henry Hungerbeeler, be nominated to serve on the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission. Dr. Gerald Lee also reported that a motion had been made and seconded that the third round of grants would be designated for educational teaching endeavors.
	Dr. Lee then reported that at the November 6, 2001 meeting Chris Buckland announced that 30 grant applications had been received for Round Two funding (23 had been received for Round One). Dr. Lee then invited Dr. Ken Winn to report on the December 4, 2001 Education committee meeting.
	Dr. Winn reported that the first group of state agencies, Louisiana Purchase Group, MorNet. Teacher incentives – what does it take to get a teacher involved? A very productive exchange of information which will appear in the Education Task Force Bulletin. The timetable is being worked on now and is very close to being finished. It will be open and we will furnish the address.
	Dr. Lee closed with a report from the Education committee meeting of January 10, 2002. Two proposals for the\$50,000 grant were discussed: University of Missouri-St. Louis and Friends of the State Archives. Further discussion of the committee's decision will be handled on a conference call (yet to be scheduled) and Dr. Lee will give Jonathan Kemper and Doug Eiken an update and summary report.
	Jonathan Kemper asked for a summary of the curriculum and the points that are going to be there including what kind of trails will be there, the objectives and who is actually going to be supporting this and then check to see what is going to be available when.

Frank Jacobs: Commemoration Committee Frank Jacobs reported that the Commemoration committee is in the midst of changing responsibilities and splitting into two different task forces. Commemoration committee will take the responsibility for the Web site and also the marketing and endorsements. Mr. Jacobs announced that the committee was hoping to have an endorsement policy that the committee could discuss with the Commission but he said the committee is not ready for that yet. Frank Jacobs also reported there is a tremendous amount of requests from people/organizations who would like to be on the Commission's Web Site and who want their activities to be endorsed. Frank Jacobs said that hopefully by conference call or meeting that the committee could get an endorsement policy together that could be presented at the next Commission meeting.

Cheryl Thorp: Outreach Committee

Cheryl Thorp reported the Outreach committee had been very active last month evaluating grants and the Commission had received some excellent proposals. Cheryl Thorp then gave an overview of the Corps of Discovery Grant Program: Round One received 27 applications with 14 being awarded in the amount of \$233,000. Round Two received 42 applications with 26 being awarded in the amount of \$436,920. Round Three received 27 grant applications and the deadline for the receipt of those applications is January 31, 2002. Cheryl Thorp reported that a sub-total award to date is \$669,920. She then asked Marci Bennett to report on the Web Site.

Marci Bennett reported that she is working with Doug Eiken to get an update on the number of visits the Commission has had to the Web Site. Marci Bennett stated that at the Commission's next conference call she hopes to have the number of visits and the specific things on the Web Site, i.e. the usage, where people are coming from and the links that visitors are searching. Jonathan Kemper asked how people are finding the Commission's Web Site. Marci Bennett stated that there are a number of ways and that there are a number of links. She said that the Web Site is registered with a number of search engines, and that the Commission is also linked to the National Council, to some of the other states, organizations, a lot of the convention bureaus. Marci Bennett said she would like to have that in the report also to be presented at the next meeting.

Jim Denny: DNR Jim Denny reported that two state park projects that would be intimately connected with the national signature events. The Confluence State Park (the Department is on a fast track to get this park developed). And second is the Lewis and Clark State Park near St. Joseph, MO. Jim Denny said a Kiosk is there which gives a lot of site-related information. MDNR wants to put a lot of energy into the park because it could play a big roll in the Journey Fourth Signature Event. Mr. Denny reported there are two other Lewis and Clark related sites in the Jefferson City area that the department is very interested in. One is Clark's Hill farm located at the area of where the Osage River came into the Missouri River in 1804. The owners are donating 20 acres provided the park will be named after the owners. The second location is Sugar Loaf Rock, owned by Church Farm Prison, where William Clark actually stood. If the Department acquires this bottomland property, then every bottomland on the west side of the Missouri River between Jefferson City and Interstate 70 will be in public ownership in some kind of river restoration project.

Agencies/ Shannon Cave Shannon Cave reported that Conservation is proceeding on with the Signs project and that Conservation has \$70,000 in the FY02 budget to complete design and art work associated for approximately 40 signs on MDC areas. Shannon passed around two handouts: a Memorandum to the Commission summarizing some of MDC projects related to Lewis and Clark, including current status; and, a circular entitled "Missouri Great River Road". Shannon Cave thought this circular might be something the Commission would want to look at for somewhere down the road as a way to publicize the collective efforts to improve the Lewis and Clark trail. He also reported that in the second round of grants we've added some fund to the Missouri River Communities Network to coordinate a river reenactment event. This is partly to set us into a position to work with the Coast Guard in a permitting process to ensure a safe and somewhat controlled reenactment along the Missouri River from May through July in 2004.

Shannon asked if Ken Winn had anything else to add. Dr. Winn said that regarding the mapping – it has grown from essentially 6 to 40 maps. They have been changed in their presentation which makes them even more handsome.

Shannon Cave called on Bob Smith (Tourism) for his report. Mr. Smith spoke on the four handouts in the Commissioners' packets. The first was a four-page supplement to the Tourism Vacation Planner (most significant) close to 600,000 distribution would go out this year. Second was the Web Site. Mr. Smith had Tourism's Web Master put the links that Tourism has on their Web page. Bob Smith stresses the fact that Tourism has committed quite a bit of space on their site for Lewis and Clark. The third handout was a budget to show expenditures for the State of Missouri on behalf of Tourism and to give an example of what would be coming up for the balance of the year. He pointed out examples such as a full page ad in the American Heritage magazine which was an expenditure of about \$18,000 and in May, the Smithsonian Ad would be a \$45,050 expenditure just on Lewis and Clark. Bob Smith said Tourism would soon be working on 2003 and would be able to report back to the commission on the marketing plans.

Jonathan Kemper then reported the need for the approval of the last Commission meeting's Minutes. No additions or corrections were made and Mr. Kemper then asked for a Motion to approve the Minutes. Dr. Gerald Lee moved and Dr. Barbara Woods seconded. Minutes were approved as read.

Acting Executive Director Report/ Doug Eiken

Doug Eiken reported he and his staff had been working with the agencies and the commission members to restructure the commission from a planning to an implementation group. The best way to do that was to move from a committee structure to a task force structure. Mr. Eiken reported that one of the commitments Steve Mahfood had made to the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission was that he wanted to make sure that this was a successful event and when Jim Crabtree left, he was trying to figure out how to pick up the pieces and move forward. Mr. Mahfood felt that upon Jim Crabtree's departure Jim had raised some very legitimate issues about the ability of he and Linda being able to accomplish all of the things that everyone expected of the commission. So in that discussion we said about the only we can do this successfully is to make a commitment from the Department to move forward and apply other staff to this effort. And that's why I have all of this staff here – each of these staff people is assigned to one of the task forces. Basically to work with you, make sure that Minutes are taken and report on the progress of the task forces. Another critical issue for us is the prospect of 100 boats coming down that river with no access points during potential flood season. With barges on the river and no feasible way to regulate or manage it, the Missouri River Communities Network has begun having meetings that allows us all to work together and coordinate it, because no body has the entire authority to do what's needed to be done. In addition, Representative Merrill Townley has volunteered to work with the Commission and he has been placed that particular task force because we may need legislative change to properly manage what's going on. Doug Eiken said it is a big safety issue as well as a big event issue for us to make sure that's done right. The third critical issue how to integrate the state coordination with the federal efforts. The federal efforts, called Corps II, is the group of Park Service and other federal agencies coming down the river as the commemoration evolves. And, because it is such a large commitment and operation, it can't just stop anywhere. The Commission is going to have to coordinate the time and location the event will occur.

Communication

Communications discussed were:

- 1. An article faxed by Jim Crabtree relating to the State of Oregon's plans for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial are lagging.
- 2. A letter from the Secretary of State, Matt Blunt, who is mobilized as a Lt. In the United States Navy as part of the September 11th response. He sends his regrets for not being able to participate but he's keeping up on it through email through internet access.
- A letter from Senator Ted House thanking the Commission for the decision in support of the Lewis and Clark Fife and Drum Corps, which performed for the Commission during the social event.
- 4. Doug Eiken was contacted by Representative Sharon Sanders Brooks of Kansas City with concern that the information on the grants was not generally available to, in particular, her constituency. She wanted to know what the Commission was doing in terms of promoting and getting information out about the grant program. She was also appreciative that prior to the deadline for the second round of grants that she was able to get 25 copies of the grant applications from us to distribute in her community. There were two successful recipients, Gem Theatre and Line Creek Museum

5. Doug Eiken reported he had received a telephone call from Anita Dixon in Kansas City with concerns about the supplement from Tourism that was included in the Commission's newsletter. Her particular concern was the way Sacagawea and York were described in the brochure. I think as part of the whole education of all of us and the endorsement of the commission that all activities and words are respectful and inclusive in the way they are presented. Mr. Eiken said the public has high expectations of the commission whenever its endorsement is given. Doug Eiken then invited Dr. Woods to comment.

Dr. Barbara Woods

Dr. Woods said there is a lot the commission can do and it needs to be very vigilant when describing the people's experiences. We've got to come from the point of view as through the lens of the people about whom we are describing. Language is very important. When we look at describing the people's experiences, Dr. Woods said the system of education has been very Euro-centrally based. It comes from the perspective of the European-American history and ignoring that there were indigenous people who were here and certainly with the African-world people being brought into this. Education requires the work of all of us to be inclusive in that language in and of our descriptions and our knowledge base as well. Dr. Woods recommended that if it the supplement ever be reprinted, that the language be correct. Dr. Woods offered some language that would be appropriate. Dr. Woods said she would be more specific with comments back to Tourism. She stated it's a beautiful piece, however it should be an inviting piece that all people feel welcome to come to Missouri and to be welcome to experience the range of history that came out of this area.

Grants Administrator / Chris Buckland

Chris Buckland addressed the handout, Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Corps of Discovery January 2002 Update. Cycle One grants all seem to be proceeding according to schedule. Chris Buckland said he should be receiving quarterly reports within the next month and would then be able to give a better understanding of where each one of the grants fit and the progress of the projects. Cycle Two; November 29, 2001 26 grants were awarded. On Cycle Three, 27 applications totaling \$287,000 were received. The commission also received two proposals for mini-grants. The grant applications were sent to the scoring committee for review and they will be back on the 16th as Cheryl mentioned. We will then correlate those on the 24th and then the scoring committee will send their recommendations to the commission and we are hopefully going to have a commission meeting on January 29th. At that meeting, Chris Buckland continued, they will be presented recommendations and hopefully a decision made. Our goal is to then encumber funds, make sure that the funds are secured and then send out the grant agreements and guide by January 31st. Should those grants not be funded fully again there will be a slight hold-up because we want to make sure that those scopes are correct before sending them out. Marci Bennett stated that as an evaluator on this committee, she wanted to commend Chris for the way he had put this together. Ms. Bennett told Chris Buckland that he made it very easy for all of us to come together and actually make recommendations. Marci Bennett thanked Chris Buckland for his diligence on this

Shannon Cave reminded the Commission that at the time the grants program was set the Commission members said they wanted a 50% cost match from everyone receiving a grant. The Education committee expressed some concerns that the paperwork for schools to document the cost match for some of the programs wouldn't be worth the money they would get from the grants. Shannon Cave said the Commission's response was to set up this small grants program. Shannon Cave advised that the Commission was in need of a contractor to administer that. Mr. Cave said he wanted to clarify it was the education committee's perspective that if the school is doing a program, they are already covering a substantial match and wouldn't need to prove they have teachers and school buses, etc. So as long as the Commission is dealing with a legitimate school system the process could be simplified on that. Shannon Cave suggested the Commission consider that the in-kind items they are offering to the program suffice.

Barbara Woods moved the requirement that the mini-grants for the schools to secure matching funds be waived. Dr. Gerald Lee seconded. All were in favor and motion carried.

Signature Project Update/Doug Eiken

Missouri currently has two National Signature Events that we are participating in. One is the Three Flags Event and the other one Journey Fourth. At the last Circle of State Advisors'

Meeting a request had been made by Missouri previously to have the National Council consider a fourth National Signature Event – the Return to St. Louis. They tentatively agreed to consider the request, which needs to formally get to them and they will act on it at their April 10th meeting. Missouri may get a third National Signature Event, however the local sponsor has to submit the request. Dour Eiken said he would have to get in touch with Bob Moore to make sure the paperwork is in. There are also three others that are being proposed – one is in Philadelphia as the ending of the journey and one is on the Three Affiliated Tribes Indian Reservation, North Dakota. Doug Eiken said that possibly by the next Commission meeting we could say we have the third event that will be hosted in Missouri. Shannon Cave said he believe that event had been formally proposed by Bob Moore long ago and it was not initially selected. The paperwork is there and Shannon Cave believed they were ready to take the lead on that. There was discussion as to whether a motion should be made to endorse the event. Jonathan Kemper said he definitely thought the commission should monitor the signature events and coordinate whenever we can to ensure that they get the resources that we have available to make that a success. Jonathan Kemper said it wouldn't hurt to have an official recognition.

Dr. Archibald said the problem right now is that we don't have the event outlined and he thought it would be useful for the commission to endorse the idea of a third signature event in Missouri. Dr. Archibald said he thought a letter from Jonathan Kemper conveying the Commission's delight that the national council would entertain this idea and that the state commission is in support of a signature event commemorating the return of the expedition. Dr. Archibald suggested "plugging in" St. Charles in the return event.

Dr. Archibald said that what the commission needs to keep in mind is that the character of the signature events as they relate to a specific day 200 years later that occurred in the expedition. Now the signature events are on the Three Flags Ceremony. The departure is the lone exception in all the National Signature Events that have been endorsed and so here is an opportunity to bundle St. Charles, St. Louis and Illinois in a package that span several days around which the expedition returned.

Dr. Archibald made the motion that the commission encourages the National Council to look favorably upon the third proposed signature event in Missouri and pledge its support in successful completion of that event. Frank Jacobs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Task Force Recommendation/ Doug Eiken

What we're seeking in this meeting is an endorsement or an adoption of the task force recommendation setting up six task forces. Approving the chairs and vice chairs and the agency representative and the DNR staff for each of the task forces. My expectation is that after if approved, Doug Eiken said he would work with staff and co-chairs to get a conference call meeting set. At the next commission meeting Doug Eiken said he hoped an adoption of all the different tasks get it formally approved.

Jim Goodrich moved to approve the task force recommendations. Ken Winn seconded and motion carried.

Jonathan Kemper – I think we have a lady who needs no introduction, we have the First Lady Lori Hauser Holden who is now joining us. Thank you Lori for joining us.

First Lady Hauser Holden – I'll make a few comments later but the Governor's Prayer Breakfast was this morning and there were prayers and speeches even more singing than I anticipated. I'm glad to be joining you.

Federal Funding Report/ Doug Eiken

Two projects that had the best chance of success for federal funding in the last session were the Fort Osage Visitors Center project, which has money appropriated and approved in the House but in conference committee didn't get funding. The second project is the St. Charles BoatHouse project, which was approved for half of what they had requested. Part of our job is to support the local projects if there are federal funds available for these things. In addition, the National Park Service will talk about their challenge cost share grant program which is, I think there is a \$5 million appropriation. The significant thing about that is anybody really can apply for that for the Lewis and Clark related projects but in particular, Signature Events are eligible for up to \$250,000 for their event through the challenge cost shares. So the bigger the pool of cost share money that is available, the more likely it is that the signature events and all these other projects could receive some funding.

Update on Lewis and Clark in Missouri book/Dr. Ann Rogers The third edition of Lewis and Clark in Missouri will be published by the University of Missouri Press and will be described in their spring/summer catalog. The book should be available in May of this year. Dr. Rogers the new edition will deal more on the trail today there are a lot of Lewis and Clark sites that have been developed in the last few years. Therefore, it will have a larger section on the trail today and more historic photographs. It will be available in the hardcover edition and also in paperback.

Update on Missouri Historical Society/ Bob Archibald

Dr. Bob Archibald had two handouts. First was The National Bicentennial Exhibition Executive Summary, describing the exhibition and major lending institutions, the exhibition's schedule and certainly acknowledgments of funding for which mostly through this commission. There's also mention towards the lower right hand corner of the Missouri Outreach. Dr. Archibald reported that both the two-panel exhibitions that are being planned and the curriculum materials which will be distributed to the schools across the state of Missouri. Tim Gross, who worked in education of the Smithsonian Institution, has joined Dr. Archibald's group so he can coordinate all the Lewis and Clark Educational materials. Dr. Archibald reminded everyone that this was a five and a half million-dollar project and that as of the last meeting the Missouri Historical Society had the support of the commission. Dr. Archibald also said they had a \$2 million appropriation from congress. Dr. Archibald said he has now secured the National presenting corporate sponsor for \$2 ½ million. So at this point the Missouri Historical Society now has commitments for all the dollars necessary to produce what has been outlined in the handout. here. The second handout was a summary sheet on the curriculum materials that everyone here would have some interest in. Again, Tim Gross is taking charge of planning for those educational materials. Dr. Archibald reported the Society is going to hire a person who would work regionally on both sides of the Mississippi River to develop marketing plans and packages to promote tourism. That hiring should be within the next two weeks to 10 days. Dr. Archibald said at that point the person would be working with Bob Moore and the other group that's been meeting to put together marketing plans and packages. The catalog, jointly published with the Smithsonian Institution Press, will come out in the fall of 2003. The exhibit opens in January of 2004.

Dr. Archibald said that the Society has the task of promoting and marketing the exhibition nationwide. They are working with some major national advertising and intend that this exhibition may end up on the front of Newsweek, Time magazine, the television shows, Sunday mornings, and at times, the Washington Post. Dr. Archibald said they would also need to promote it in Philadelphia, Denver, Portland, and then at the large culminating closure of it in Washington DC at the Museum of Natural History at the Smithsonian. Dr. Archibald said that is one piece that we really have to deal with and are prepared to at one level. The other is to look at all of the events that are going on regionally. To coordinate with the commission and do what we can to promote the exhibition as a part of the larger package. That will include all of the other organizations that are also doing Lewis and Clark events. To promote that regionally among people as a tour package. One is the National promotion of the exhibition and all of the things in the national press - the other is the promotion of tourism on the regional and state level.

11:40 a.m. New Business/ Jonathan Kemper

11:30 BREAK Jonathan introduced Carol McBryant and Sue Pridemore with the Corps II January 2003 in Monticello to Wood River and then begin the expedition as Lewis and Clark did 200 years ago staying as close to the journal entries as possible. Criteria was given for set up of exhibits. Commission needs to help Corps II find communities. The exhibit will be such that the public's pre-conceived notions that they arrived with regarding the expedition may be shaken enough for them to want to go out on their own discovery along the trail and to examine the flora and fauna that the Journals describe. Ms. McBryant said the average tour would take 30-45 minutes. The Corps II Exhibit will be on the road for three years and may continue after that period of time and will set up at prescheduled destinations. The Exhibition will include three semi-trucks, one 48 feet long and two 53 feet long. The two 53 foot-long trailers will unfold to create a 2000 square-foot visitors center and will be at specified locations for three-week periods. So in that respect the Journals cannot be followed - it takes two full days with day labor hired on site or volunteers within a community to come in and to help set up. The Exhibition will try to correspond with the schedules and plans of the local communities. At times they may be ahead of the Journals and at other times they may be behind depending on the logistics of which communities are chosen and where they like on the trail. NPS will be dependent on the communities to help supply laborers, rangers, etc. to assist with the Exhibition. The "footprint"

of the Exhibit will be 150 feet x 200 feet. Ms. McBryant stated that for the NPS to choose the communities, they would need the Commission's help. Questionnaires will be sent out and the communities will then be put into groups and based on the logistics, infrastructure that they have, NPS will look logically where the best place may be. Historically, events that are going on, and logistically. If there are difficulties in making the decisions for the Commission, NPS will go meet with the community leaders and try to determine the best site location in order to come up with a schedule. As soon as this actually comes out it will be on a pretty fast track. Jonathan Kemper advised Deborah Lappe that this Exhibit would be placed in the Events Task Force for planning. Challenge cost share application was presented. Matching money can go up to \$250,000 there's \$5 million available this year. Deadline will be January 31, 2002

Louisiana Purchase/

Elizabeth Gentry Sayad

Jonathan Kemper then called on Elizabeth Gentry Sayad for a Louisiana Purchase Commission update. Ms. Sayad said that she had been chosen to co-chair the Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Advisory Committee. She announced that the committee has received a U.S. Department of Education grant for \$900,000 over a three-year period for an enrichment program for teachers of U.S. history. The project is called "Changing the Shape of the National: The Louisiana Purchase, the American West, and National Identity. Various programming will include colloquia, summer seminars, and guest speakers. She also reported that the committee was very grateful for the \$25,000 grant received from the Missouri Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission which will enable them to hire an event planner from Clear Channel Entertainment to help with preliminary planning and budgeting for the Three Flags Ceremony, a Signature Event. Discussion with the Illinois Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission resulted in a possibility of starting a bi-state program to recognize communities planning their own commemorative activities. Ms Sayad announced a Louisiana Purchase symposium scheduled for January 19, 2002 and a National Park Service is sponsoring a major symposium in St. Louis March 21-23, 2002 with the Missouri Historical Society. An announcement of the Louisiana Purchase Commission now has a new Web site (http://louisianapurchase.umsl.edu).

Congressional Caucus/Rocky Rockwell Jonathan Kemper then called on Rocky Rockwell for his report. The caucus is now 76 members strong. A wonderful caucus with no political boundaries that cause partisan disagreements. They are to track and advocate on behalf of the Bicentennial. They are not a group to try to control or direct or make things happen as a group. It's very important that each community be in constant contact with their own political delegations, both with the field representative and the "DC" staff member, on every issue. He encouraged the communities involved in the Three Flags Event to formalize their relationship with each other on paper. It should say that these communities are working together because each of the communities will have to go looking for funding and that agreement would give you the legal standing to go after whatever funding sources there are. He encouraged the bicentennial effort to do a better job of reaching the black community.

Workshop Schedule/ Frank Wesley Frank Wesley reported that the commission had a very successful workshop in November 2001. The mission of the workshop was to get a lot of people together in the communities and network, get help and get updated on what's going on with the commemoration. Frank Wesley said the goal is two workshops a year – spring and fall – and rather than have them all in central Missouri, we would like to move them around. One in Cape Girardeau maybe in April, one in St. Joseph in the fall and then one in central Missouri in the early part of next year. Frank Wesley said another thing he would be looking for is someone on the commission or otherwise who would like to participate in putting the forums together. There are a lot of things we can work on as far as getting together and discussing these things. Frank Wesley said the suggestion was Cape Girardeau since we'll be starting the commemoration down in that area and it would be engaging a different group of people.

Introduction of First Lady Lori Hauser Holden / Jonathan Kemper The First Lady began with a "thank you" to the commission for doing such extensive and hard work up to this point. The First Lady said she has had the opportunity to go to two of the workshops in bits and pieces in Jefferson City and went to Washington DC with Jim Crabtree and other DNR people to talk to the Missouri delegation and that was a very successful day. First Lady Hauser Holden said the reason she was attending this commission meeting was because she and the Governor recognize what a great celebration this will be and what it

	means to the State of Missouri and all of our communities that the trail did go through. The First Lady said she hoped that by her presence the commission would realize that there are a lot of things that she still needed to learn because there are a lot of things going on. When the semitrailer exhibition goes through the state we're in hopes of making this the best possible experience for all of the visitors. The First Lady said it means so much to the Governor and her to make sure that all the visitors coming in want to truly have a great experience. That for all of the Missouri citizens to be able to be involved and participate and learn there is so much great cultural heritage to this great state. First Lady Hauser Holden then referred to the Show-Me Opera of the University of Missouri brochure that each Commissioner had. The opera is actually going to be premiering at the Governor's Mansion in March. The First Lady said she is tremendously excited about premiering it. First lady Hauser Holden said the opera would be going to Carnegie Hall in March in New York as well and invited the commissioners to make plans to join her and Governor Holden in Jefferson City.
Resolution / Dr. Gerald Lee	Glenn Bishop donated two and a half decades to the Lewis and Clark Re-enactment project. Dr. Lee reported he and Debra Lappe thought the commission should have a Resolution to honor Glenn Bishop. Dr. Lee asked the commission's permission for he and Debra Lappe to draft a Resolution for approval at the next commission meeting. Dr. Bob Archibald moved and Marci Bennett seconded. Motion was approved.
Doug Eiken/Task Force	Doug Eiken introduced his staff from the Department of Natural Resources and encouraged them to personally introduce themselves to the chair and vice-chair. Doug Eiken the asked the commission to look at and possibly endorse the Jefferson City bicentennial park project – Doug referred the project to the appropriate task force to get a recommendation.
Closing Remarks/ Jonathan Kemper	Jonathan Kemper thanked the commission for traveling and having nearly 100% attendance. He also thanked the people who had a personal interest for coming. He again thanked the city of St. Charles, Steve Powell and the Convention and Visitors Bureau for hosting. Jonathan Kemper said it was an extraordinary event and meeting.
	Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.